

State of Rhode Island and Providence Plantations

Public Utilities Commission

Minutes of Open Meeting Held January 12, 2007

Attendees: Chairman Elia Germani, Commissioner Robert Holbrook, Commissioner Mary Bray, Steve Frias, Patricia Lucarelli, Thomas Massaro, Alan Nault, Douglas Hartley and Luly Massaro.

Chairman Germani called the open meeting to order at 9:00 A.M. in the first-floor hearing room of the Public Utilities Commission. A quorum was present.

Minutes of Open Meeting held on December 19, 2006: After review, Chairman Germani moved to approve the minutes. Commissioner Holbrook seconded the motion and the motion was unanimously passed. **Vote 3-0.**

Competitive Telecommunications Service Providers

The following company filed an application for authority to provide telecommunications service in R.I. The Division has reviewed the application and recommends approval of: 3803 – CloseCall, America, Inc.

After review, Chairman Germani moved to approve the application. Commissioner Bray seconded the motion and the motion was unanimously passed. **Vote 3-0.**

The following companies submitted tariff revisions. The Division has reviewed the tariff filings and does not recommend suspension of:

3741 – PaeTec Communications (tariff filing 12/20/06)

3028 – Qwest Communications (tariff filing 12/19/06)

2535 – Cox Rhode Island Telcom, LLC (tariff filing 12/16/06)

3059 – Broadview Networks, Inc. (tariff filing 12/29/06)

2262(A6) – SBC Long Distance, Inc. (tariff filing 12/12/06)

2262(P20) – First Communications, LLC (tariff filing 12/29/06)

2262(E18) – Broadwing Communications, LLC (tariff filing 12/21/06)

After review, the Commission followed the Division's recommendation to allow the tariff filings to go into effect without suspension.

3802 – Verizon Rhode Island – Verizon submitted a filing to clarify the Digital Centrex Plus Service tariff language for effect January 14, 2007. The Division has reviewed the tariff filing and does not recommend suspension. After review, the Commission followed the Division's recommendation that the tariff filing be allowed to go into effect without suspension.

3799 – Narragansett Bay Commission (NBC) - NBC submitted a tariff advice to make minor language changes to NBC's fees for effect February 1, 2007. The tariff language modification would change "flat fees" to "customer charge" and "consumption fee" to "consumption charge", and language change to late charge penalty fee. The Division has reviewed the filing and does not object to the proposed language modification. After

review, Chairman Germani moved to approve NBC's tariff advice filing. Commissioner Holbrook seconded the motion and the motion was unanimously passed. **Vote 3-0.**

3795 – Blackstone Valley Tourism Council (BVTC) – BVTC submitted a tariff filing to increase tour rates for the 2007 operating season (beginning May 2007). BVTC proposed to increase the adult rate from \$8.00 to \$10.00 and increase the senior/child rate from \$6.00 to \$8.00. The Division filed a memo recommending approval of the filing. After review, Chairman Germani moved to approve BVTC's tariff filing. Commissioner Bray seconded the motion and the motion was unanimously passed. **Vote 3-0.**

3784 – Innovative Energy Systems, Inc. (IESI) – Innovative Energy Systems filed a Renewable Energy Resources application for the certification for its Generating Unit named Colonie, seeking eligibility as a new 4.8 MW biomass (landfill methane gas) energy generation unit. After review, Chairman Germani moved to approve the application. Commissioner Holbrook seconded the motion and the motion was unanimously passed. **Vote 3-0.**

The open meeting adjourned at 9:10 A.M.